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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir,

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, please replace paragraph 1 with the following paragraph:

--This application is a Continuation-in-Part Application of the following U.S. Patent Application: Utility Patent Application Serial Number 09/803,490, entitled "Shoe Tap Protectors," filed on May 21, 2001, which claims the benefit of U. S. provisional patent application serial number 60/247,419, filed on 11/13/2000, the disclosures of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.--

Remarks

This application has been amended from a formal standpoint. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding this amendment, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number listed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any further fees associated with any of the papers submitted herewith or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-1394, Order 34092.5.

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